

Climate Change Budgeting Process Workgroup Members:

Scott Burgess currently works as a Program Examiner with the U.S. Office of Management and Budget, where his responsibilities include providing oversight to the Environmental Protection Agency's climate, air, radiation, and enforcement programs. Scott previously developed strategic plans and advanced priority goals in the Office of Policy and Program Analysis at the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Prior to that, Scott authored publications on Federal and State climate change efforts at and the Center for Climate and Energy Solutions (C2ES), a nonprofit think tank. Scott served in the Peace Corps as an Environmental Education Volunteer in Paraguay, where he promoted community-based environmental conservation through the local school system. He holds a Master of Public Policy (M.P.P.) from the University of Michigan's Ford School of Public Policy and a Bachelor of Arts dual degree in Environmental Biology and Psychology from the University of Colorado at Boulder.

Brandy Espinola, Resilience and Sustainability Program Manager, Environmental Finance Center Brandy joined the Environmental Finance Center at the University of Maryland in 2012. She has over eight years of experience working with local governments to protect natural resources by strengthening the capacity of decision makers to assess needs, develop effective financing methods, and catalyze action. As Resilience and Sustainability Program Manager, Brandy blends academic research with deep community engagement to identify key issues, develop goals, and remove barriers in order to facilitate and fund local solutions. Brandy received her M.S. in Sustainable Development and Conservation Biology and a M.P.P. in Environmental Policy and Nonprofit Management from the University of Maryland.

Suad Hasan is a Program Officer at the International Budget Partnership, with an expertise in analyzing budgets as a tool to advocate for better governance. One of her lead projects assesses formal opportunities available to citizens to participate in fiscal policies. Suad is currently working with a few governments to develop effective and meaningful ways to engage citizens in the budget process.

Aaron Kraus has more than ten years of experience in the energy, finance, and policy fields. He currently serves as Vice President of Market Activation and Policy for Greenworks Lending. With hundreds of millions of dollars of assets under management, Greenworks is the largest Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE) capital provider in the country. Prior to this role, he was a Director of Policy and Electricity Markets for SolarCity (now Tesla Motors) and oversaw national policy activities for the Commercial and Industrial (C&I) segment of the market. Prior to this he was a consultant in the energy practice of Booz Allen Hamilton where he worked on energy issues throughout the U.S. Department of Defense. He holds a graduate degree in Government from Johns Hopkins University and a bachelor's degree in government from the University of Maryland. He lives with his wife and two children in Rockville.

Randy Lyon is currently the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) and Director of Development of the National Academy of Public Administration. Prior to this, he helped establish the First Responder Network Authority, serving as its first CFO. He served most of his federal career as an executive in the Office of Management and Budget, where he was responsible for budget and policy matters involving the Department of Commerce and related agencies. His work has also helped shape the cost-benefit policies of both OMB and the Government Accountability Office (GAO). Randy earned a doctorate in economics from the University of Illinois and a bachelor's degree in biology from Brown University.

Doris Marlin holds degrees in Business Administration and Water Resources Management. She is a Project Management Professional and a Risk Management Professional. She brings 35 years of DOD experience collaborating at the local, state, federal and international levels with natural resources organizations. She has experience at the study, planning, design, construction, and operation phases of a variety of project types. Ms. Marlin recognizes how key local climate action with a justice and equity focus is to hold global warming to the lowest possible level. Ms. Marlin has been paying attention to the international response to climate change since 1991 and works to Strengthen Local Climate Commitments throughout North America. Her work was partly inspired by the urgency and solutions promoted via the Paris Climate agreement and the UNFCCC.

Benjamin Martin is an ESG Analyst at Solebury Trout, a boutique firm that provides investor relations, corporate communications, and market access to private and public companies across industry sectors. In his role, Benjamin advising clients on environment, social, and governance (ESG) strategy and communications. Previously, he was a Sustainability Analyst at Enviva (NYSE: EVA), a leading biomass energy company, where he supported the development of the company's ESG program through sustainability strategy, analysis, and reporting. He was also a Fulbright Fellow in Munich, Germany. Benjamin is an MBA candidate at Georgetown University and holds a BA in Environmental Science and German from Franklin & Marshall College. In his free time, Benjamin enjoys volunteering as a member of the Junior Board of Washington Performing Arts and playing classical flute with groups like Washington Young Sinfonia.

Laurie McGilvray has thirty-five years of experience in coastal resource science and management at the federal level, primarily with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. She managed major coastal environmental grant programs at NOAA and the U.S. Department of Treasury. In 2013, she co-chaired the coastal workgroup of state and tribal experts in developing a National Fish, Wildlife, and Plants Climate Adaptation Strategy. In 2014, she co-chaired the coastal and ocean indicators of climate change workgroup for the National Climate Assessment. Since 2017, she has been active in addressing climate change at the state, county, and local levels with the Takoma Park Mobilization Environment Committee.

Prath Mehta, P.E., is encouraged to volunteer for this workgroup partly due to his interest in support for the environment. Prath is passionate about protecting our environment due to climate change and believes in reducing human activity footprint and impact on the overall climate. He hopes to be able to contribute using his professional experience and passion for the environment to assist the county he lives to benefit the community.

Evan Notman is a forest ecologist focused on research related to forest and biodiversity conservation. For the last ten years he has worked on international development working with countries to improve land use management to address climate change and improve livelihoods. Evan currently works with the U S Agency for International Development and was part of the US interagency delegation to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change. Evan has also worked on forest conservation and climate change with the UN Forest and Agricultural Organization, the US Forest Service and the Senate Agriculture committee.

Samir Qadir is an environmental engineer and project manager at Potomac-Hudson Engineering, Inc. with over 15 years of experience in climate change, energy, environmental assessments, and sustainability planning. At PHE, he has conducted building energy assessments, developed project-level

GHG inventories using lifecycle analysis methodologies, and developed facility-level sustainability and other environmental management plans. Prior to joining PHE, Samir worked for a non-profit organization in India, developing environmental performance ratings for industrial manufacturing firms under a UNEP-funded initiative. He has a Bachelors degree in electronics and telecommunications engineering and a Masters in environmental policy. In his spare time, he enjoys running and building Legos with his 7-year old son.

Holly Reuter is an environmental lawyer, consultant, and project manager at The Clark Group LLC. She brings over 10 years of experience implementing environmental law and policy for government agencies in the DC area. Her experience includes implementing policies to address environmental and climate change impacts and support agency decision making.

Herb Simmens is a resident of Silver Spring, and author of A Climate Vocabulary of the Future. He has served as County Administrator of Atlantic Co, NJ and executive director of the New Jersey state planning commission. In addition, Herb taught urban design and public policy at several colleges and was executive director of a nonprofit that focused on sustainability in higher education and served on the transportation work group for Montgomery county. He is currently writing a book on planetary climate solutions.

Stuart Simon began his career consulting to the U.S. Department of Energy on Solar and Renewable energy. After receiving an MBA, Stuart worked in the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Office of Budget assessing NOAA's National Weather Service and Environmental Satellite Division's initiatives. From 2003 to retirement, Stuart was responsible for reviewing and submitting the Department of Commerce's Information Technology budget to OMB and Congress. Since retirement, Stuart started the Adat Shalom Climate Action Team and serves on the Executive Committee of the Montgomery County Faith Alliance for Climate Solutions (MC-FACS).

Pam Winston (Chair) is a senior researcher in the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, where her portfolio includes work-family policies and other supports for low-income families. Before joining ASPE, she was a senior researcher at Mathematica Policy Research and the Urban Institute. She worked for the City of New York for 5 years, most recently with the Mayor's Office of Operations. She has a B.A. from Swarthmore College, an M.B.A. in public management from Columbia, and a Ph.D. in political science from Johns Hopkins. Pam has lived in Takoma Park with her husband and son since 2002.